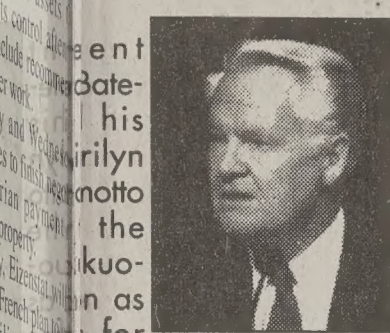


Bateman: Motto for everyday living



enters the BYU community Tuesday's Devotional. Sister Bateman said the motto is the price, the power, love is the Spirit is the key, and the reason" is applicable to everyday life.

at Bateman stressed the importance of the first principle, the love of God.

Bateman said, "Obedience is the price that produces the power, access to the Holy Spirit, ultimately access to the Kingdom."

at Bateman addressed the importance of the principles of the motto: love, faith, and obedience.

ance is a way of demonstrating our faith. We obey God's commandments on the measure of faith within us," she said.

th principle addressed the importance of the Holy Ghost.

Bateman said the Spirit is the key to the principles of obedience.

confirmation or witness of the Holy Spirit is the knowledge which we have of God's love for us," he said.

at Bateman concluded with the assertion, "The basis for all that we do is the love of God."

—Natalie Roach

NATION

Wheeler crashes into capitol

MENTO, Calif. — A 18-wheeler crashed into the capitol Tuesday night and caught fire, just as the session was clearing out from a session.

not immediately known if the driver or anyone else was injured.

like the 18-wheeler crashed up and through the roof of the capitol building and into the entryway of the capitol building, an eyewitness said.

from the accident shot flames from the south side of the capitol building, Rauzon said.

ed lawmakers rushed to the capitol building and watched as firefighters fought the blaze.

it said the crash site was about 20 yards from the intersection.

ght, "My God, they are crashing into the Capitol," said a witness, a motorist.

ate Assembly had been considering legislation on a state's power woes. The bill, which was approved, would allow the state to buy electricity from wholesalers and sell it at a reduced rate under long-term contracts, Rauzon said.

—Associated Press and Rauzon, special to NewsNet

NATION

Clinton is tested for his cancer

OTINGTON — The growth of a tumor from President Clinton's chest has tested positive for cancer, the White House said Tuesday.

House press secretary said the pathology confirmed the diagnosis of cancer.

is a relatively common type of cancer, 800,000 to 1 million cases a year," Siewert said. "If the lesion was removed, so the president, it can be removed, and he no longer has it."

—Associated Press

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Asian nights

The Department of Student Life has designated January as Asian Month on BYU's campus. The events included the Interactive Asian Culture Night Tuesday.

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Bush nominee criticized in hearing

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Attorney General-designate John Ashcroft, answering critics of his anti-abortion and civil rights views, pledged Tuesday to enforce the nation's laws despite his "personal preferences."

While Ashcroft said in an opening statement at his Senate confirmation hearing that he believes the Roe v. Wade case legalizing abortion was "wrongly decided," he accepts it "as the settled law of the land. The Supreme Court's decisions on this have been multiple, recent and emphatic."

He insisted that, if confirmed, he would be "advancing the national interest, not advocating my personal interest," adding that he would enforce federal laws protecting women's access to abortion clinics.

"No woman should fear being threatened or coerced in seeking constitutionally protected health services," he said.

Not since the Clarence Thomas hearings a decade ago has the Senate Judiciary Committee held hearings amid such an onslaught of criticism against a nominee from civil rights and women's groups.

"From racial profiling to news of unwarranted strip searches, the list of injustice in America today is still long. Injustice in America against any individual must not stand," Ashcroft said.

The nominee, a former Republican senator from Missouri, commented on several specific issues in his opening statement and then told senators they could "pummel

(him) with questions."

"When I swear to uphold the law, I will keep my oath, so help me God," Ashcroft said, raising his hand up as he completed his statement.

Four people in the hearing room crowd of 200 immediately began yelling, "Ashcroft kills!" Within seconds, they were surrounded by police officers, which carried one protester out of the room as the other three left without resisting.

Ashcroft, a gun-control opponent who has been opposed by liberal women's groups, said that as a senator he voted to "deny the right to bear arms to those convicted of domestic violence offenses."

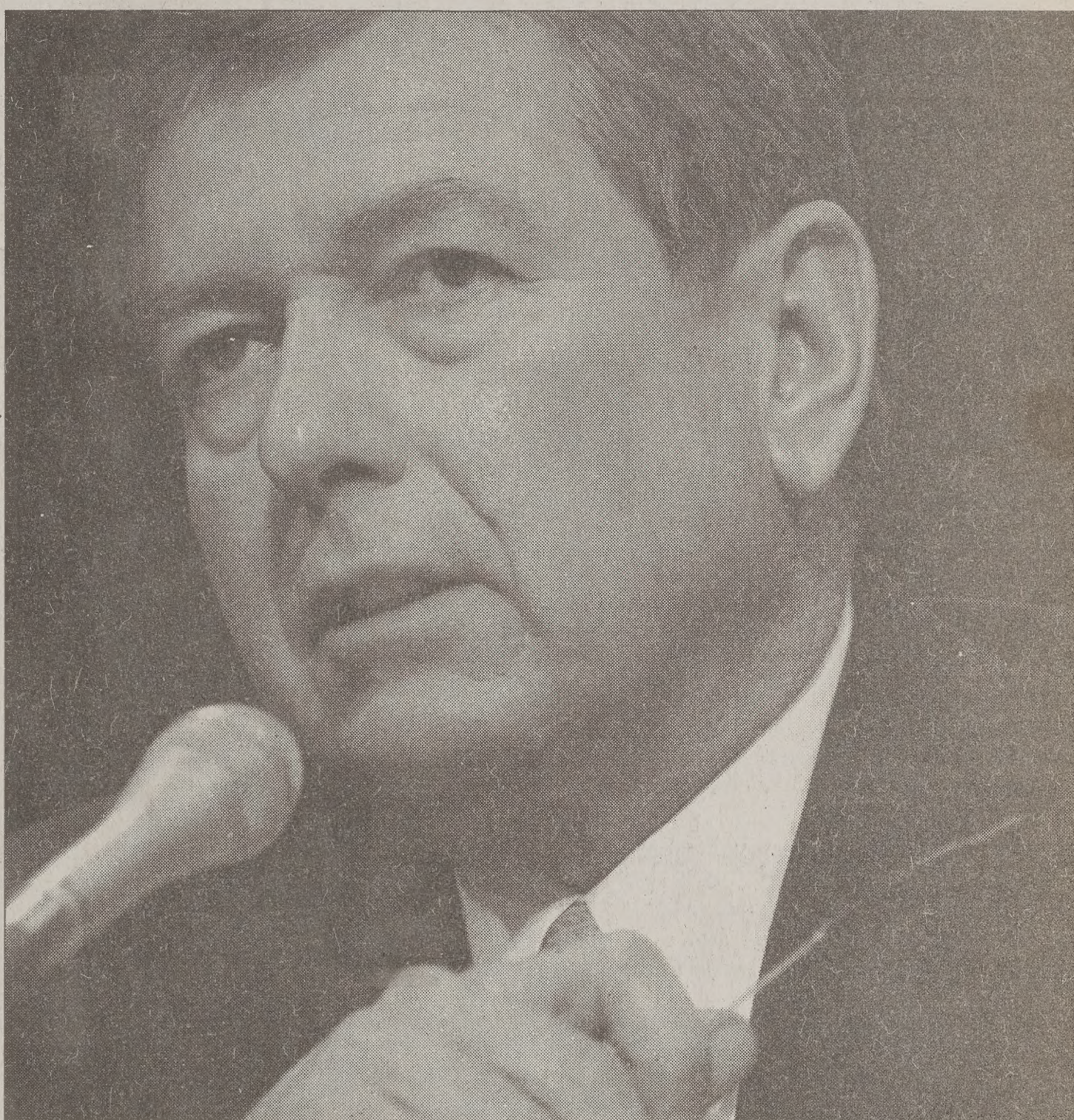
He said he supported mandatory background checks for gun show sales as well as increased federal funds for law enforcement.

Ashcroft testified that his opposition to Missouri Supreme Court Justice Ronnie White, whose confirmation to be a federal judge was rejected, was "well founded." Critics charged that Ashcroft's opposition to White, who is black, was based on race.

"Studying his judicial record, considering the implications of his decisions and hearing the widespread objections to his appointment from a large body of my constituents, I simply came to the overwhelming conclusion that Judge White should not be given lifetime tenure as a U.S. District Court judge," Ashcroft said.

Ashcroft declared: "I understand that being attorney general means enforcing the laws as they

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Joanna Caldwell/Daily Universe

John Ashcroft, attorney general-appointee, answers questions at his senate confirmation hearing. Ashcroft has drawn criticism for his statement that Roe v Wade was 'wrongly decided.'

Governor gives pep talk

By Jon Selden

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Utah has just slam-dunked the new economy and Coach Mike Leavitt is screaming for the team to get back on defense in transition.

That's the imagery the Governor used Tuesday night during his annual State of the State address at the Capitol.

Quoting Utah Jazz Coach Jerry Sloan, Leavitt said, "Always play forward. Anticipate what's next, and get there before they do."

But Leavitt doesn't see recent forecasts of an economic downturn as part of a game.

Speaking to a joint session of the Utah House of Representatives and Senate, the governor sketched three economic plays for the lawmakers to execute.

Leavitt surprised legislators by doubling his previous year's education spending increase request to 14.8 percent.

"Several of the proposals were new to us," said Sen. John Valentine, R-Orem. "We're struggling."

Part of the new education money would be spent on a state program to add 850 new teachers with master's degrees in technology fields, Leavitt said.

Those teachers would be lured away from higher paying jobs in the tech industry by a \$20,000 dollar signing bonus if they agreed to teach in Utah schools for four years.

Democrats in the legislature saw the governor's words as vindication.

"Most of his proposals were things democrats have started," said Sen. Paula Jullander, D-Salt Lake. "We may be joining forces."

Leavitt continued on his tech-heavy scheme, asking Utah colleges and universities to triple the number of engineering students they graduate in the next eight years.

He said he would help them to add 15,000 more engineering and computer science students with aggressive new physical improvement proposals.

"Our economic future depends on it," he said.

One senator hinted the Governor might not get all he wants.

"There are always items that come up that take money away,"



Nate Bertasso/Daily Universe

Governor Mike Leavitt delivered his state of the state address Tuesday night. Leavitt spoke of his proposals in basketball terms.

said Senate President Al Mansell, R-Midvale. He specifically mentioned numerous tax relief proposals that republicans in the legislature are looking forward to passing.

House Minority Leader Ralph Becker, D-Salt Lake, said democrats welcomed the Governor's education spending increase and any tax cuts would have to be considered "from the perspective of giving tax relief to those who need it."

The Governor revealed an unexpected change of mind when he threw his support behind the Committee of Consumer Services, a state agency that monitors utility companies and acts as a consumer advocate.

The governor allowed a controversial bill to become law last legislative session that eliminated the committee and merged it with a weaker Office of Public Advocate, much to the delight of Questar Gas, who helped author the bill.

Now, with the western United States in an energy crisis, some lawmakers are asking to repeal it.

House Majority Whip David

Ure, R-Kamas, who sponsored the bill, was not surprised by the Governor's public epiphany.

"The Governor has his opinion, and I have mine," he said.

Other republican legislative leaders were more cautious with their words.

"I don't believe it's going to be a problem," Mansell said. He claimed a new, but unfinished, version of the bill includes a provision to keep the committee independent.

House Majority Leader Kevin Garn said he wasn't familiar with a new version of the bill, but said he believed the old one would be repealed.

"We're going to do something that makes sense. I believe (the committee) will be independent as well, he said."

Leavitt was characteristically optimistic as he spoke in the filled-to-capacity House chambers.

Known for his use of human visual aids, the Governor presented a baby and his parents, an elementary school student, and a choir of small children during his televised speech.

NEWS BRIEFS

Compiled from staff and news service reports

Paroled fugitive arrested in Logan

WEST VALLEY CITY, Utah — A paroled fugitive has been arrested in Logan and is being investigated in the slaying in West Valley City of a fellow gang member.

Mark Douglas Prideaux, 25, who had been imprisoned for selling methamphetamines, was being held for the slaying Saturday of Christopher Velasquez.

West Valley police Lt. Charles Illsley said Prideaux celebrated Velasquez's 25th birthday Friday night with other gang members.

The party ended in a shootout with members of a rival gang. No one was injured. When it was over, Prideaux and Velasquez elected to track down rival gang members, Illsley said.

Velasquez and Prideaux argued over a girl, Illsley said.

Velasquez was shot and killed.

Police believe Prideaux had been planning to flee to Idaho before being captured in Logan.

Fans warned of Super Bowl scammers

WASHINGTON — The Transportation Department has issued its annual warning to people buying tour packages to the Super Bowl: Remember, not all packages include game tickets.

The National Football League's Super Bowl will be played Jan. 28 in Tampa, Fla.

Under federal rules, if a promoter markets a tour package as including tickets it must have the tickets in hand or have a written contract for them.

If a game ticket is not specifically mentioned in newspaper ads or other solicitation material or listed as a tour feature, the ticket is probably not included, the department said.

If an ad does not specifically state that the game ticket is included, consumers should ask about it. If a travel agent or other tour representative states that a game ticket is included, the consumer should require, at the time of purchase, that the game ticket be presented or a written confirmation for the ticket be provided, the department said.

Comedy club catches crime on stage

MACON, Ga. — But seriously, folks: A 43-year-old man was charged with three bank robberies after confessing on stage at a comedy club.

Glenn Matthews, 43, delivered the punchline Friday night after joining a performer on stage at the Comedy Café.

"After he got onstage, he said, 'I have something on my mind that I want to share with you. ... I'm the one who has been robbing all the banks in middle Georgia,'" club owner Mike Smith said.

Smith, a former policeman, said he tried to keep the audience calm as he got Matthews off the stage and had staff members call police.

Matthews was charged Sunday with three robberies in the Macon area between December 1999 and last week. In each case, witnesses said the robber was armed with a rifle and fled on a bicycle.

Inappropriate photos feature corpses

CINCINNATI — Authorities are demanding an explanation of how photographer Thomas Condon took pictures in the Hamilton County morgue of corpses posed with syringes, sheet music, a key and other objects.

Police said Tuesday they would consult with prosecutors before deciding whether to file charges or take the evidence to a grand jury.

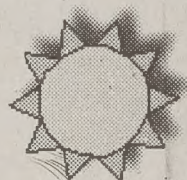
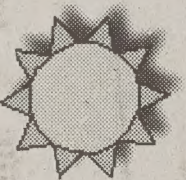
Possible charges could include abuse of a corpse, said police Lt. Ray Ruberg.

Police searched Condon's studio and found props including a muscle man picture, a key and a snail shell, according to a report filed with a search warrant.

In some photographs, the hand of a young girl's corpse rests on an Alice in Wonderland book, police said.

Officials said Condon has produced art works that include painting with animal blood and photographing dead birds.

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sources: BYU Geography Dept., CNN

SCRIPTURE OF THE DAY



"Therefore, fear not, little flock; do good; let earth and hell combine against you, for if ye are built upon my rock, they cannot prevail."

—Doctrine & Covenants 6:34

Carly Fullmer, 19, a junior from Salt Lake City, majoring in English, likes this scripture because "it shows the Lord's concern for us individually and collectively as his children."

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Bush addresses African-Americans students express differing views

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With his inauguration approaching, President-elect George W. Bush took advantage of Martin Luther King Jr. Day to reach out to minorities.

African-American voters in particular have been a tough crowd for Bush, as they favored his opponent, Al Gore, by a 9-1 margin in the November election.

Bush said gaining the support of minorities is a priority.

Sophomore Taylor Payne, 22, from Virginia Beach, Va., who has not declared a major, said he thinks Gore fared better than Bush among blacks because he was more focused on helping them move forward.

Payne, who is African-American, said he is worried about how Bush will support minority issues.

"There's going to be changes," Payne said. "Probably changes that African-Americans won't be too proud of."

However, other African-American students at BYU said they disagree with Payne.

Marcus Whalen, 19, a freshman from Waldorf, Md., with an undeclared major,

said he is not worried about Bush.

"He'll be as good as any other president," Whalen said.

Freshman Andre Bennin, 19, a zoology major from Alexandria, Va., said he agrees.

"He was good enough to get elected," Bennin said.

Bennin said he believes Bush just needs to show minorities he has their interests in mind.

Some African-American students said they do not believe Bush will do them any harm. They attribute Gore's large margin of victory to the fact that many African-Americans tend to be Democrats.

Heather Collins, a senior from Champaign, Ill., said she thinks Bush is probably just a victim of the media.

"I think it's just media hype," Collins said. "I don't see him having a problem with minorities."

Speaking at a predominately African-American elementary school in Houston, Bush discussed his education reform plans and called for unity.

The engagement was the latest effort by Bush to improve his image among minorities.

Bush will be inaugurated the 43rd President of the United States on Saturday.

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Black students at BYU voice their opinions about President-Elect Bush.

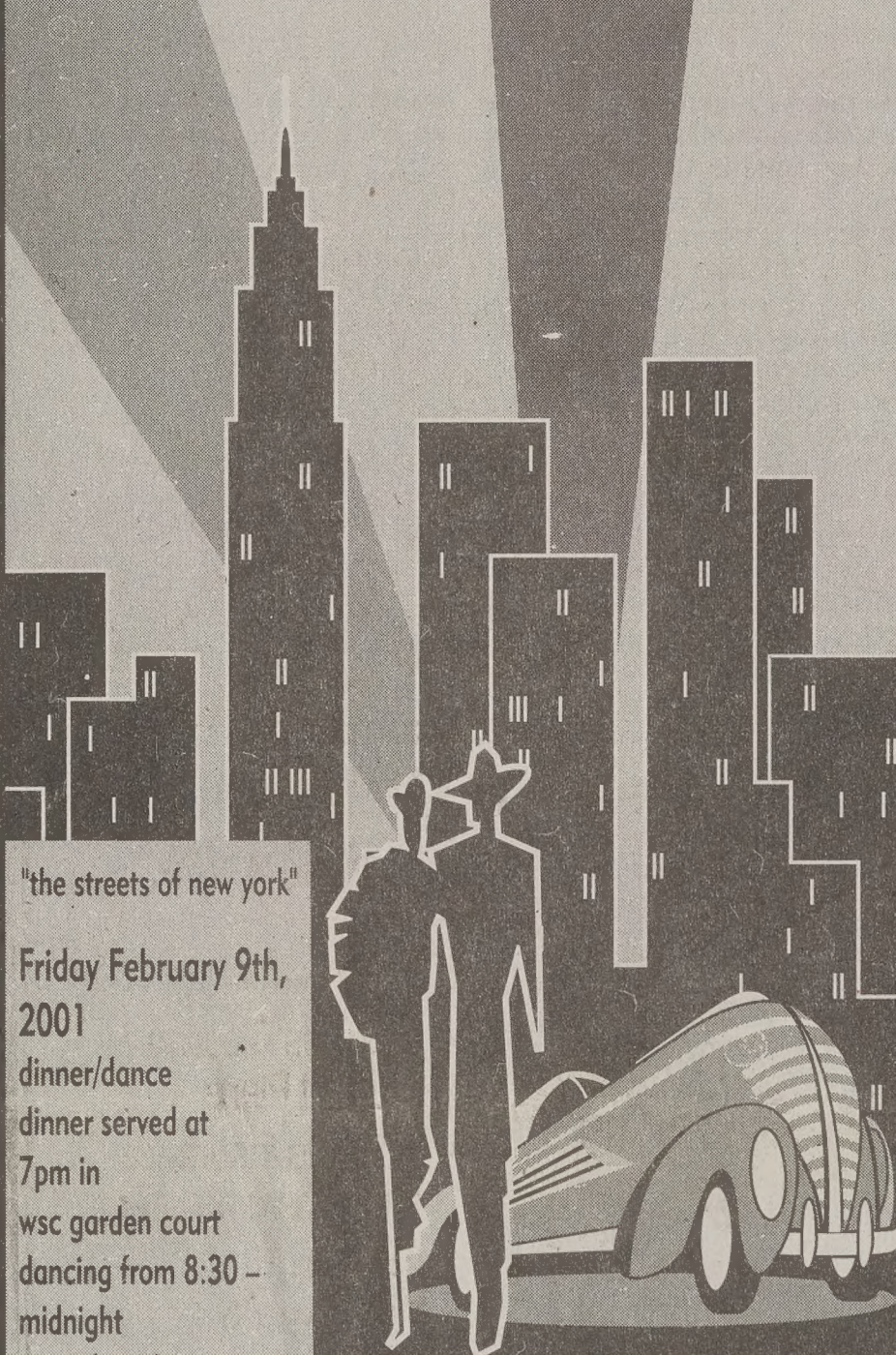
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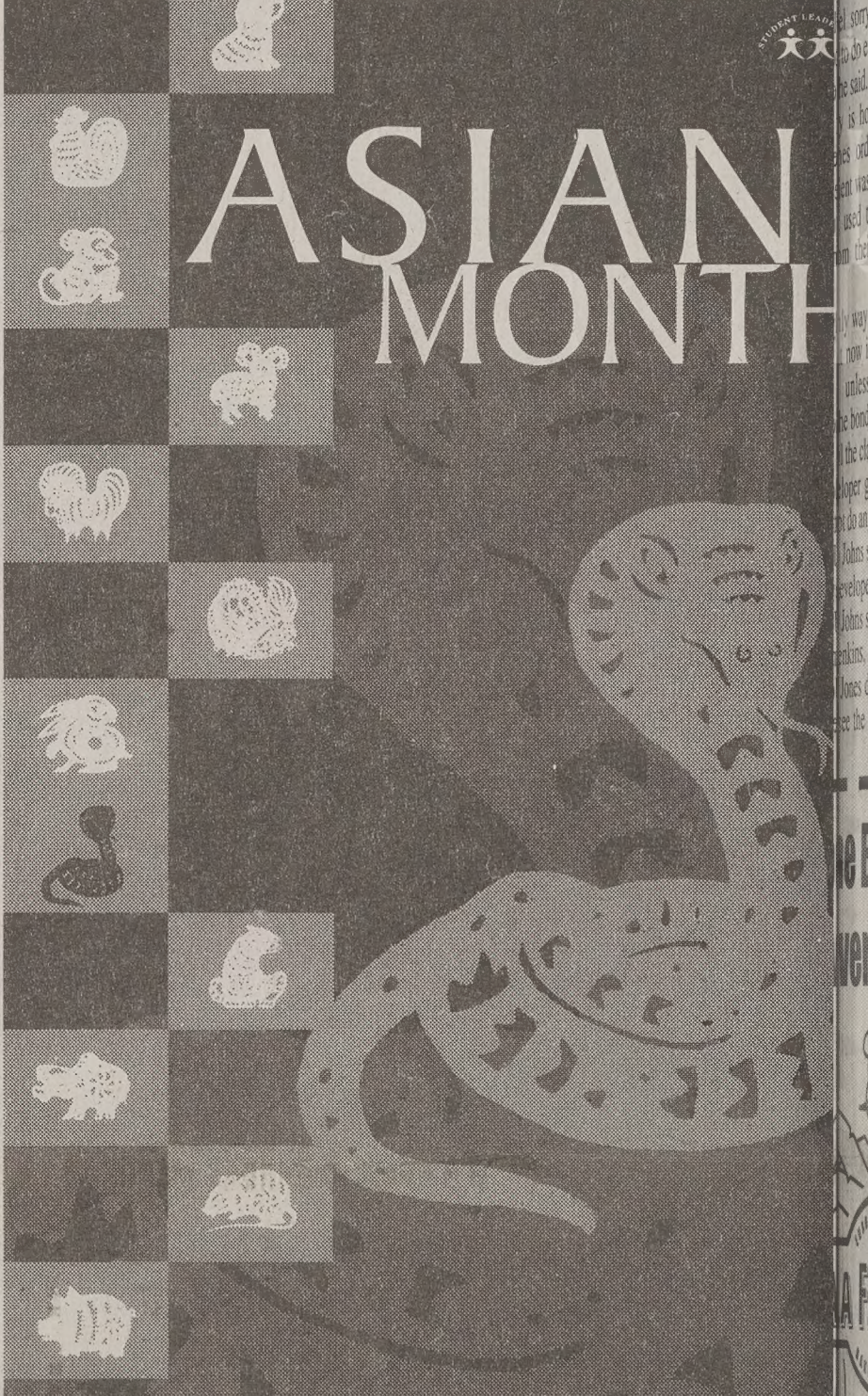
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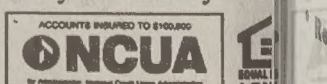
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Residents demand relocation funds

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Residents of Spanish Fork filed a claim against a city official to gain funds for their homes. The converted community has unsafe homes, they claim.

Spencer, attorney for the Spanish Fork residents, filed a complaint against Ron Jones, developer of Spanish Fork.

A complaint indicates that Jones is responsible to pay to relocate residents.

"I want the developer to move out," Spencer said.

Jones has asked residents to move rather than fix homes of high levels of contamination found in the converted community, Spencer said.

"It's not something (the city) can do until they can move," Jones said.

Spanish Fork City Council Mayor Johns said the city is doing everything it can to make the landfill safer for the residents until they can move.

"I'm sorry for the people who have to do everything we can to make it safe," Johns said.

The city is holding a \$96,000 bond that is ordered before the landfill was built. This bond was used to help residents relocate in their homes, Jones said.

"No matter what way the bond can be used, it's now is to improve the landfill unless the developer provides a bond," Johns said.

Also in the claim filed with the court, the developer goes through, the city can do anything to help the residents, Johns said.

Developers didn't come to the city, Johns said.

Johns said Ron Jones' attorney did everything he could to make the project was built

"The Health Board said we have to move out on June 7.... We're hoping someone will step up to the plate and take responsibility."

— Erin Dodge,
Spanish Fork Ranch
resident

safely.

"He feels bad for all involved," Jenkins said. "He did everything to make it safe for the residents to live there," he said.

Erin Dodge, a resident living on the landfill, said she cannot do anything until a decision is reached.

"The Health Board said we have to move out on June 7, and until then, we're just waiting to see what happens," she said.

The question lies in whether the city or the land developers should pay for the residents to move.

"We're hoping someone will step up to the plate and take responsibility," Dodge said.

Jenkins said the landfill problem needs help from several individuals — including city officials — to remedy.

"Ultimately, with the number of parties involved, all should be solving the problem," Jenkins said.

Spanish Fork City denies the need to pay for the residents to move.

"We have no liability on the matter," said Spanish Fork city attorney Junior Baker.

"The reports on the property indicated it was safe, and that it's a common practice to build on such landfills."

McVeigh's execution date set

Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY — Federal officials set a May 16 execution date Tuesday for Timothy McVeigh, who was convicted of murder and conspiracy for the bombing that killed 168 people in the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building.

The Federal Bureau of Prisons issued a news release saying it had notified McVeigh of the decision.

McVeigh, 32, who is on death row at a federal prison in Terre Haute, Ind., has said he doesn't want any more appeals, although he has reserved the right to seek executive clemency.

He allowed a deadline for resuming his appeals to expire Thursday and prison officials started planning his lethal injection.

Bureau of Prisons spokesman Dan Dunne said officials would try to meet the needs of the victims' relatives and survivors of the

"He can be forgiven but he must pay restitution, and his death will be that restitution."

—Betty Robins

Oklahoma City bombing survivor

blast in planning the execution.

The April 19, 1995, bombing was the worst act of terrorism ever committed on U.S. soil. Prosecutors said McVeigh, a decorated Gulf War veteran, was motivated by hatred of the U.S. government and a desire for revenge for the April 19, 1993 deaths of about 80 people in the siege at the compound of the Branch Davidian sect near Waco, Texas.

Clinton warns against Bush tax cuts

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In a swipe at the Bushes bookending his presidency, President Clinton warned Tuesday against "expensive tax cuts" in a final budget outlook that boasted of transforming a struggling economy into a booming one invigorated by huge federal surpluses.

Firing back, President-elect Bush's spokesman accused Clinton of using artificially high estimates of economic growth for the next two years, and projections for the more distant future

that are too low. Such figures could make it easier for Clinton to claim that he handed his successor a robust economy, while also making it harder for the government to afford the long-term costs of a tax cut.

"We will not be using these estimates. We'll be using more updated, more accurate estimates," said Ari Fleischer, Bush's spokesman.

Martin Baily, head of Clinton's Council of Economic Advisers, conceded last week that the 3.3 percent economic growth for 2001 the administration has pro-

jected should be closer to the 2.6 percent current consensus estimate of private forecasters. He said the higher figures were locked in last November, before the economy began showing signs of slowing.

Even so, just four days from handing over the White House to Bush, Clinton issued a document that amounted to a 235-page victory lap for his economic and budgetary achievements.

"Over the last eight years, I have sought to provide the fiscal discipline necessary to ensure the continuing growth of our econo-

my," Clinton said. "I present this document with pride in our accomplishments, and the hope that this progress will continue and grow for all Americans."

The volume contained no new policy proposals. It simply assumed that programs in effect this year would continue for the next decade, growing only to keep even with inflation.

It also repeated budget projections the Clinton administration made, including a forecast that federal surpluses will total \$2.45 trillion from fiscal 2002 through 2011, excluding Social Security.

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Lazy days of winter

Wes Funk, from American Falls, Idaho, majoring in International Marketing, naps outside the JKHB. Utah Valley has been enjoying unseasonably warm weather of late.

Cybercrime unites firms

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Some of the biggest names in cyberspace — IBM, Cisco, Microsoft, and Oracle — are teaming up with the government to create a private-public dragnet to catch hackers before they cause costly damage to Internet sites.

The not-for-profit partnership, announced Tuesday and including 19 top high-tech firms, will coordinate to share information among each other and with the government and respond to computer threats.

Called the Information Sharing and Analysis Center for Information Technology, or IT-ISAC, the group will force top companies that are usually fiercely competitive to work together.

"This initiative is done regardless of party or corporate logo," Howard Schmidt, chief security officer at Microsoft Corp., said at the kickoff event.

With constant reports of security breaches where credit card numbers and computer software source codes are stolen by thieves, extortionists or just bored teen-agers, the executives said they were forced to take a more active role.

fast facts

- Some hackers break into Web sites for fun; others steal credit card numbers or commit extortion.
- In December, hackers gained access to thousands of medical files at the University of Washington Medical Center in Seattle, Wash.
- The FBI is currently investigating an international plot by young adult and teenage computer hackers that could possibly have disabled the World Wide Web on New Year's Day.

source: dailynews.yahoo.com; washingtonpost.com

They will also share information with government computer cops.

"We are sending a strong signal to would-be attackers that we are not going to let you get away with cyberterrorism," said Commerce Secretary Norman Mineta, who will be transporta-

tion secretary in the Bush administration. "We stand united."

Mineta said that as a former executive at Lockheed-Martin, he knows how protective a company can be about its information.

"The last thing that a corporate executive wants to do is share information about his own company with the competition," he said, calling the founding companies "courageous" for doing so.

The executives said they had seen computer attacks increase threefold since the February 2000 incidents that choked top Web companies like the Yahoo! search engine and auction leader eBay.

If such a thing happened today, they said, the companies could react more quickly.

"They'd work together to see where they could best stem the attacks," said Allan Schoenberg, spokesman for Internet Security Systems in Atlanta, which will provide a public Web site and analysis for the group.

"Every one of us either has been or will be attacked in cyberspace," said Mary Ann Davidson of database giant Oracle. "A threat against one is truly a threat against all."

Student brings gun to school

Associated Press

GRANTSVILLE, Utah — Grantsville High School students have been suspended — one taking a gun to school and another for not reporting it.

A student alerted Principal Terry Linares that the 17-year-old junior was carrying the weapon Dec. 19, police said.

There was rumor that the threatened other students, "couldn't substantiate that," Chief Dan Johnson said.

The 9mm pistol was in the student's coat pocket, he said. The youth also had 33 rounds.

He told police he had been hunting recently and had removed the gun from his coat.

"That's what he told me, he didn't know it was there," Johnson said. But Johnson said he was buying the student's story, gun and the ammo weighed five pounds," he said.

The student was arrested for carrying a concealed weapon, and possession of a handgun as a minor.

Utah gun activists oppose repeal of 50-year-old law

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Plans to repeal a 50-year-old, never-implemented law allowing the governor to draft a state militia to defend Utah from "the ravages of foreign enemies" have run afoul of the gun-rights activists.

"We see it as a first step to disarmament," said Sarah Thompson, executive director of the Utah Gun Owners Alliance.

"It's anti-gun stuff. It's part of a strategy to disarm the people," said Ted Bradford, a pro-gun crusader and former state legislator.

The two lobbied lawmakers Monday against House Bill 8, Repeal of the Utah Defense Force Act.

The sponsor, Rep. Neal Hendrickson, D-West Valley City, now knows he could be in for a battle, but doesn't understand why.

"If people would read what we're taking out, they wouldn't be against it," said Hendrickson. "This has nothing whatsoever to do with being anti-gun or a person's right to bear arms."

Removing the statute is a good idea, said the legislator. The law

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—Rep. Neal Hendrickson, D-West Valley City

has never been implemented in the nearly 50 years since it was enacted. Moreover, it leaves the door open to unchecked power in the executive branch. "If we had a real wacko governor that wanted to abuse his power, he could. He could have his own SS," he said.

The repeal bill was one of numerous measures endorsed during the summer by the Legislature's Government Operations Interim Committee in its attempt to eliminate obsolete or archaic laws.

House Speaker Marty Stephens, R-Farr West, is opposing the repeal, contending, "The governor ought to have the right to call out the militia."

"There's always the National Guard the governor can call out. I

don't think there would be a need for a militia," said Hendrickson.

Gov. Herbert Maw asked the Legislature in 1941 to provide for the militia "in order that our people and industries might be preserved from the ravages of foreign enemies within our borders and in order that Utah might be in a position to cooperate fully with national government."

The law gave Maw carte blanche to enlist for a year or more any "able-bodied" Utah man for a force that would be in addition to the National Guard but paid similarly to the guard.

The job of the Utah Defense Force was to go "in fresh pursuit of insurrectionists, saboteurs (and) enemies or enemy forces," even into other states.

California utilities on alert, rolling blackouts possible

Nuclear plant struggles to recover from storm

Associated Press

FOLSOM, Calif. — Power grid operators called a Stage 3 alert Tuesday morning, once again raising the possibility of blackouts that the state narrowly avoided last week.

A Stage 3 alert in the energy-starved state means California's electricity reserves have fallen below 1.5 percent and rolling blackouts are a possibility.

Last week, a Stage 3 alert was called when the biggest storm to hit the state in three years cut electricity generation at a key nuclear plant.

The storm Thursday came as other electricity-generating stations shut down for maintenance, which, coupled with the crippled nuclear plant, cut the state's power output by one-third. The alert was dropped back to Stage 2 on Friday, when more power became available from other states.

The new Stage 3 alert was expected to be in effect all day.

Patrick Dorinson, spokesman for the Independent

System Operator, which runs the state's power grid, said a shortage of natural gas is forcing many power plants in Southern California to switch to oil. Power producing problems are possible and could worsen the power shortage, he said.

State and federal lawmakers are trying to craft a temporary solution to California's power crisis. Officials met this past weekend with electricity wholesalers to negotiate a plan by California Gov. Gray Davis for the state to buy electricity and sell it to utilities. That plan was to be introduced Tuesday in the Legislature.

The state believes it can negotiate better prices than the utilities, which have seen their credit ratings plummet in recent months. Southern California Edison and Pacific Gas & Electric say they have lost more than \$9 billion because of wholesale price increases and the state's 1996 deregulation law that froze rate hikes.

Amid all the other problems, a major electricity supplier on Monday threatened to take the state's two largest utility companies to bankruptcy court.

If PG&E and SoCal Edison do not make payments due this week, officials from Houston-based Dynegy Inc. said they have no choice but to take them to court.

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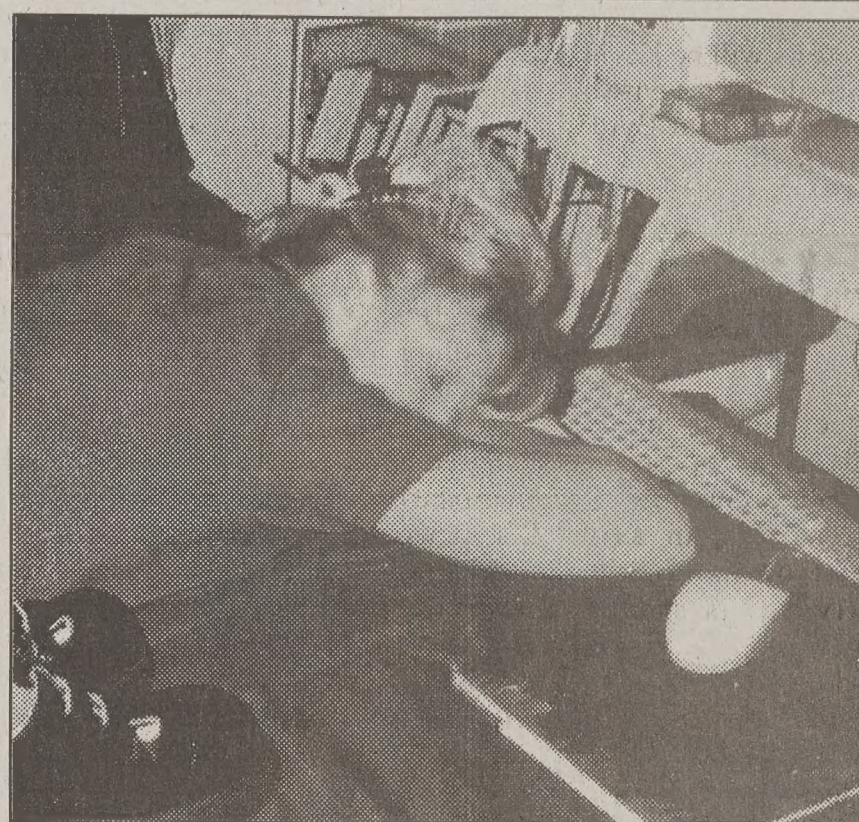
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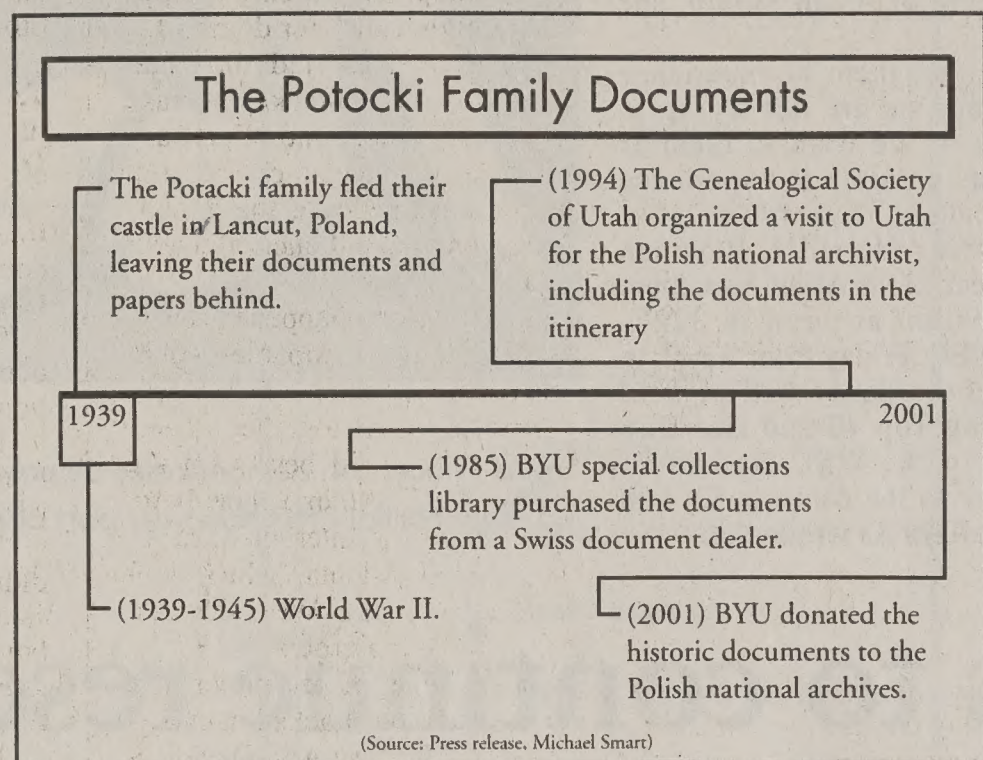
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Y returns Polish historical documents

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Representatives of BYU and The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints recently donated historical manuscripts to the Polish national archives.

On Dec. 19, BYU and LDS Church representatives attended a ceremony of over 100 guests and news media where they returned historical records of the prominent Potocki family that had been scattered since World War II.

Elder John K. Carmack of the Seventy and Douglas F. Tobler, BYU professor of European history and current president of the Poland Warsaw Mission, attended the ceremony.

BYU had owned the documents since purchasing them from a Swiss dealer in 1985 for historical and family history research,

said Scott DuVall, assistant university librarian for special collections.

Over a decade later, the Polish government requested that the documents be returned, DuVall said.

"This will give Poland primary sources for doing research into their own history. A variety of scholars will delight in having this collection available," said Walter Whipple, associate teaching professor of Polish at BYU.

The Potockis were an influential, aristocratic Polish family, Whipple said.

In an effort to escape the Russians during World War II, the family fled their castle in Lancut to Vienna, Austria, for safety, DuVall said.

DuVall studied the papers and said they were in remarkable condition. Written in Polish, German, French, Russian and Yiddish, the

documents consist of legal documents, land leases, lists of peasants and personal correspondence.

Before being returned, the records were microfilmed so researchers could continue to study them, DuVall said.

Daria Nalecz, a historian of 20th century Poland and general director of the archive, told The Church News that the return of the documents was "one of the happiest moments of my life," in the Jan. 13 edition.

She said it was an event that "only comes once or twice during a person's whole career."

Jaroslav Zawadzki, an archive specialist on this collection and on the Potocki family, said in the same article that the documents are valuable to Poland because of the long years of dismemberment and partition from the remaining documents.

BYU graduate introduces Life Leadership seminars

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Sean Covey, Sheri Dew, Olympic athlete Henry Marsh and other top speakers from various backgrounds will speak in the Life Leadership Seminars, a new lecture series offered by the BYU Management Society of the Business School.

Starting this week, the general public may attend the seminars free of charge each Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Room 151 of the Tanner Building.

The series will last thirteen weeks and include topics such as: "Cultivating Loving Relationships," "How to Communicate Effectively" and "How to Become a Top Achiever in Business, School and Life."

The Life Leadership Seminars were introduced last year by 1999 BYU graduate Cameron Taylor, who has been on the motivational speaking circuit since graduation.

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—Cameron Taylor, motivational speaker, BYU graduate

topics not offered as part of the regular business curriculum," Taylor said.

Those involved in Life Leadership Seminars said they are excited about the lineup of speakers and hope everyone will take advantage of this free information fest.

They have passed out 2,500 fliers from their booth on the main floor of the Wilkinson Center.

Taylor said he hopes for a big turnout because when business recruiters come to campus, they often request candidates with leadership abilities. The Life Leadership lectures provide this missing link in a college education, Taylor said.

"Who has ever taken a class on listening, or how to inspire others?" Taylor asked.

Taylor said he personally knows several of the speakers who agreed to come, while other key speakers took more effort to wrangle into the lineup.

"We wanted to include Sheri Dew, so we put in a request which had to go through an approval process. The First Presidency had to give final approval," he said.

Sister Dew will speak April 11 on "Learning to Lead."

The BYU Management Society is a club in the business school. It serves as a hub for alumni nationwide to network with students and each other.

The society's goal is to allow BYU students interested in business and alumni in the field to get a leg up in business by swapping information, tips, advice and any other helpful tidbits.

Taylor said all BYU students are invited to attend. For more information, go to the Life Leadership Seminars Web site at <http://lfs.byu.edu>.



Photo Courtesy of Utah.com

A jetskier cuts through Lake Powell in Glenn Canyon National Recreational Area. Some people want Lake Powell to be drained.

Lake Powell debate comes to campus

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Supporters of a suggestion to decommission the Glen Canyon dam and drain Lake Powell called on government leaders to consider their cause during a roundtable discussion at the Tanner Building on Tuesday night.

The discussion group, which included members of the Upper Colorado River Commission, Glenn Canyon Institute and U.S. Congressman Chris Cannon, sparred over the economic and environmental impact of the dam and the consequences of decommissioning the structure.

"For all the good Glen Canyon dam provides, it provides problems as well," said Richard Ingebreten, chair of the Glen Canyon Institute, and professor at the University of Utah.

Ingebreten, who first proposed decommissioning the dam in 1995, cited concerns that the reservoir is slowly filling with dangerous heavy metals and has already resulted in the loss of two species of fish, as primary reasons for draining the reservoir.

"We will have to decommission the Glen Canyon Dam at some point. If we wait until nature fills that thing up, we'll have a real problem," he said.

Supporters of the dam agreed that sediment would eventually fill in the dam, but they countered that it would take between 500 and 700 years for that to happen.

Chris Cannon, U.S. congressman R-Utah, also said that decommissioning the dam would remove needed power and water from the dense population of the Southwest.

"It is part of a very complex system," he said, "Undoing it is a virtual impossibility. You don't

have the ability to sustain that kind of a population without the dam."

Cannon added that the dam would require restructuring water and power agreements between seven states and a treaty with Mexico.

Barry Worth, from the Bureau of Reclamation, estimated that decommissioning the dam would cost consumers in the area \$783 million in lost power alone.

Despite the plea of the Glen Canyon Institute to decommission the dam, members of the Bureau of Reclamation were quick to point out that no proposals suggesting the dam be decommissioned have been entertained by congress or the Department of the Interior.

In fact, a House Resolution passed in March 1998 prevents Congress from considering lowering the level of water in the reservoir.

While acknowledging the potential shortages in power and water his proposal would cause, in his closing arguments, Ingebreten said that new power and water sources could easily be found to replace what is currently being provided by the dam.

The Glen Canyon dam, which was built over a ten-year period from 1956-1966, sits just below the Utah-Nevada border on the Colorado River.

The dam provides power and water to several Southwest states and supports a sizeable tourism industry.

Since the dam was built, tourism to the area has increased from about 10 thousand visits annually to 2.5 million visits each year.

The discussion was sponsored by the BYU Geology Club and moderated by political science professor Brent Anderson.

BYU class trains new EMTs

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An Emergency Medical Technician-Basic Certification course is being offered at BYU for the 2001 Winter Semester.

The class is scheduled to begin Thursday and last through April 12 from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., with some Saturday instruction.

BYU Conferences and Workshops is sponsoring the course, which is designed to prepare and qualify students to take the Utah EMT-Basic written and practical tests for certification as an EMT-B.

Tiffany Seamons, a BYU graduate in exercise physiology and currently attending Paramedic School at UVSC, participated in the EMT-Basic Certification course a year ago.

"It's a very general course with the sole purpose of saving lives."

—Tiffany Seamons, BYU graduate

"I loved the course. Everyone will benefit from taking the course whether they are going into EMT or not," Seamons said.

Students will be able to recognize the nature and seriousness of a patient's condition or the extent of injuries to proceed with and administer the appropriate requirements for emergency medical care.

Students will also be able to lift, move, position and otherwise handle the patient to minimize discomfort and prevent further injury.

"It's a very general course with the sole purpose of saving lives," Seamons said.

EMT-Basic Certification is a requirement for many public service professions such as ski patrol, fire fighters and state patrol.

The course fee is \$575, which includes state fees, textbooks and blood pressure equipment.

Because the class size is generally between 20 to 30 students, the course is expected to fill quickly.

Course instructors will be Kevin Peterson, paramedic of the Provo Fire Department; and Paul Byrd, Ph.D., BYU EMS.

Jeszenszky's visit is not only a wonderful opportunity for students, but also a unique experience for the ambassador to witness the "inimitable magic" found at BYU.

Peterson said visiting ambassadors often comment on the friendly, well-educated nature of students they encounter.

Jeszenszky has served in a variety of professional positions and has long been engaged as a scholar and politician.

He is the recipient of many awards and the author of numerous scholarly publications.

Jeszenszky is also an avid sportsman. One of his favorite sporting activities is skiing, Peterson said.

Peterson said that Jeszenszky is looking forward to an afternoon on the slopes.

Jeszenszky's lecture will begin at noon in the Kennedy Center Auditorium.

Students are welcome to attend.

Ambassador to discuss politics

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The ambassador to the United States for Hungary will lecture today at BYU on behalf of the David M. Kennedy Center Ambassadorial Lecture Series.

Géza Jeszenszky will speak on Hungary's current political and economic situations.

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Asian Month begins with night of culture

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Egg rolls and fortune cookies tempted passersby into the Interactive Asian Culture Night on Tuesday.

Cultural booths decorated the Terrace of the Wilkinson Center providing refreshments, martial arts performances, calligraphy, origami, games and information about Asian clubs.

The Department of Student Life has designated January as Asian Month at BYU. Mary Sweat, coordinator of student leadership programs, said campus authorities were concerned about offering support to the large population of Asian students. They have focused on unifying the Asian students and hope to create a cul-

tural experience for everyone, she said.

Rebekah Evans, 22, a senior from Ohio, has become involved in the Asian clubs by participating in student leadership. Evans said the Asian students, "are very loyal to each other. They carry through and are there for each other."

Abbey Poon, 22, a senior from Hong Kong, experienced the support of fellow Asian students when she moved to the US three years ago. She said she felt homesick because she didn't know anyone and missed her family.

Over the years, as she adjusted to the change, she found a second family through her roommates. They "are like sisters. We take care of each other," she said. Poon also emphasized the friend-

ship she has found by participating in the Asian clubs.

"When we are sick, we eat different food. I don't know what it is in English, but we eat rice porridge, or congee. So some friends from Hong Kong and Chinese clubs will bring food like that," she said.

The initial change wasn't easy. Poon said students experiencing culture shock should move to an Asian ward because of the similar backgrounds and culture they share. She said language skills improve when students move out of their comfort zone of friends. Asian students should leave the comfort of their community and go in the dorm, it will make them learn, she said.

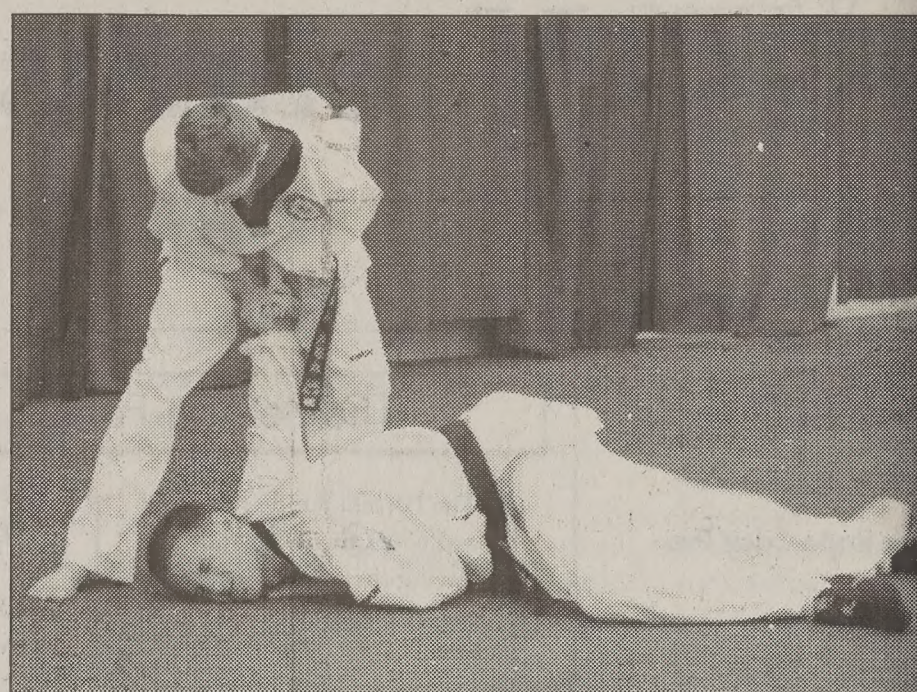
The Chinese New Year is celebrated in January. Poon said, "It reminds me of all family and

Chinese culture. There are less than 30 students from Hong Kong here, so we get together and celebrate."

Sweat said that, years ago, the international clubs tried to celebrate the New Year with attention to the Asian culture. This was the beginning of Asian Month, she said.

"We want them to experience Asia, but we are not trying to imitate it. We want to them as much as possible to experience Asian culture," Evans said.

President Merrill J. Bateman will speak at the Asian Awareness Symposium at noon in 3222-3224 WSC. Friday from 9 p.m. to midnight, a dance will be held featuring Top 40 and Hip-Hop music in the WSC Ballroom. Entrance to the dance is \$2 with student ID or \$3 without.



Joanna Caldwell/Daily Universe

Travis Prince, 14, demonstrates defense moves on Alan Schmitt, 15. The martial arts show was part of Asian Culture Night.

Science faculty win awards to continue research

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Three BYU professors were honored with the prestigious 2000 CAREER award from the National Science Foundation for research they are conducting in physics and zoology.

The distinction is the National Science Foundation's highest

honor for junior faculty members. It includes cash awards ranging from \$200,000 to \$500,000, which is used to support the ongoing research projects of the professors, said Rita Colwell, director of NSF.

"We recognize these faculty members, new in their careers, as most likely to become the academic leaders to the 21st century," she said.

Michael Whiting, of the zoology department, and Justin Peatross and Scott Bergeson, both of the physics department, were honored with the award.

Peatross estimated that only 10 to 20 percent of those who apply for the award are selected each year. This year, 409 professors were honored across the country.

Bergeson, who teaches physical science and quantum mechanics,

said the award is given to professors who demonstrate a well-rounded approach, including an emphasis in both education and research.

"CAREER awards support exceptionally promising college and university junior faculty who are committed to the integration of research and education," Colwell said.

Peatross received just over

\$330,000 from the NSF for research he is conducting on the extreme interactions between light and matter.

The bulk of the funding will be used to set up a high-intensity laser system on campus, he said.

The equipment can amplify laser energy so it is as intense as all of the sunlight striking the earth and concentrated onto the

head of a pin, he said.

In addition to aiding research, the equipment will be used to enhance Peatross' Physics 471 course.

"I am most excited about the fact that students will have opportunity to see firsthand a little of quantum weirdness even though we don't do some of the formal analysis which is pretty advanced," Peatross said.

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New Year's goals can fade shortly after party ends

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Running shoes gather dust sitting in the closet as their owner remains on the couch waiting for the pizza delivery.

So much for those big plans to get in shape and be more productive in 2001.

Although January is only halfway through, many of those New Year's resolutions are long-gone.

They have already become a thing of the past.

"I set a goal to not eat any sweets," said Karen Pierce, 22, a senior from Gainesville, Fla., majoring in illustration. "I have done better, but I haven't kept my goals like I had planned to — like they say, 'it's much easier said than done.'"

According to www.geocities.com, New Year's resolutions have been around for

over 4,000 years.

Ancient Babylonians and Romans celebrated the New Year in March with the spring crop season. The Egyptians celebrated it in September when the Nile flooded. Chinese New Year is celebrated between January and February, according to the Web site.

"I think it's really good to make goals for yourself; you can do that any time of the year," said Laure Morden, 20, from Sandy, Salt Lake county, majoring in humanities.

Craig Peterson, 24, a senior from Bountiful, Davis county, majoring in international finance, said he set two main goals for himself.

He said he would like to increase his productivity and to become more diligent improving his physical health.

"I'm trying to eat out less and to cook more. I also am trying to be more active and make the

most of my time," Peterson said.

"Although I am only a few weeks into it, so far I've been successful and I'm feeling pretty optimistic about my goals," he said.

Eric Stephan, a professor of organizational leadership and strategy at BYU, said he has several tips that can help people achieve their goals.

"Most things in life don't happen because there's no plan to make them happen," he said.

Stephan suggests setting smaller, specific goals. He also recommends deciding how to achieve the goal and to set a deadline to accomplish it.

Stephan said the greatest motivation comes when people realize why they want to achieve the goal.

"When we encounter trials, discouragements and distractions, much motivation will come when we remember why (we set our goals)," he said.

WHAT TO DO: New Years Resolutions

- ☐ eat right
- ☐ exercise regularly
- ☒ watch TV
- ☐ save money
- ☒ get fast food
- ☐ keep a journal
- ☒ exercise later
- ☐ lift weights

- ☐ weekly service
- ☐ set and keep goals
- ☐ study nightly
- ☒ procrastinate
- ☐ write letters
- ☒ order pizza and veg.
- ☐ lose weight
- ☐ read scriptures daily

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RT examines modern dance

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Lifestyles Writer

ry Dance Theater is offering students the y to explore modern dance and choreog- weekend in a performance called "The

grapher Marina Harris said she has been with RDT to create a performance of the s relationship with the stage. Artists will the different attitudes performers bring to in an uninterrupted hour-long perform-

people are in love with the space, some comfortable, some are ambivalent ... and trapped," Harris said.

he only repertory dance company outside rk City and is dedicated to the creation, nce, perpetuation and appreciation of modern dance.

unders said the group offers the financial y to have a professional performance to nce companies and local choreographers rris.

opportunity for RDT to give back to the ty that supports them," said Meghan ooley, a co-founder of Paradigm Dance ewly formed company that RDT sup-

Another modern dance group, Paradigm Dance Project (PDP), will collaborate with graduate students from the University of Utah to perform "Clean Slate." This show allows the community to see emerging artists, showcasing the next generation of dance.

PDP is a non-profit dance company that tries to make dance more accessible to people who do not normally identify with it, Cooley said. Such people include those with a low economic status, disabilities and cancer.

"We're trying to take the elitism out of dance," she said.

Performance numbers in the show include one that explores the fusion of dance and video and one that includes both a hearing and a deaf dancer.

Graduate students from the University of Utah will also participate in "creative investigation, and have been given more freedom in creating and putting a performance together," Cooley said.

"The Box" and "Clean Slate" will both be performed at the Rose Wagner Performing Arts Center, 138 W. 300 S., in Salt Lake City. Shows for "The Box" are Jan. 18-20 at 8 p.m. with a matinee on Jan. 21 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for general admission, \$12 for students and seniors. "Clean Slate" is on Jan. 26-27 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$12, \$8 for students and seniors. Call ArtTix at 355-2787 for tickets. More information about RDT is available at www.rdtutah.org.

Children's book awards announced

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - In 1999, Richard Peck's "A Long Way from Chicago," a series of stories about a Depression-era girl who leaves the Windy City to visit her feisty grandmother in rural Illinois, won a Newbery Honor award — the children's book equivalent of an Olympic silver medal.

When that happened, Peck said, "you can imagine what my editor told me to do."

On Monday, Peck learned that the sequel, published last year, won the gold.

"A Year Down Yonder" won the American Library Association's 2001 John Newbery Medal, its top honor for children's literature.

Also announced Monday, the winner of the Randolph Caldecott Medal for most distinguished picture book, the association's other top honor, went to David Small, illustrator of "So You Want To Be President?"

Peck, 66, who lives in New York, has written more than 20 novels for teen-agers. His first book, "Don't Look and it Won't Hurt," published in 1972, was adapted into the 1992 film "Gas Food Lodging."

He is also the author of four novels for adults.

In an interview Monday, Peck said, "My cause and my joy is writing for younger teens — middle school is the age at which we lose most people to reading. ... I want to write to encourage reading through that time, because neither parents nor schools are doing the job. This is the age at which parents stop attending PTA meetings, and I want to be there, to encourage reading."

Peck said he makes sure all of his books include older characters.

"This is a generation of young people who no longer have to write thank-you notes for gifts from grandparents, and so they rob themselves of their own roots. I give them elders - an

eccentric cast of strong grand-parental figures," he said.

In other honors announced at the ALA's midwinter meeting:

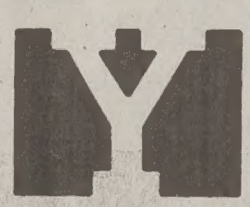
Four Newbery Honor Books also were named: "Hope Was Here," by Joan Bauer; "The Wanderer" by Sharon Creech; "Because of Winn-Dixie" by Kate DiCamillo; and "Joey Pigza Loses Control," by Jack Gantos.

Three Caldecott Honor Books also were named: "Casey at the Bat: A Ballad of the Republic Sung in the Year 1888," illustrated by Christopher Bing, written by Ernest Lawrence Thayer; "Click, Clack, Moo: Cows that Type," illustrated by Betsy Lewin, written by Doreen Cronin; and "Olivia," written and illustrated by Ian Falconer.

Jacqueline Woodson, author of "Miracle's Boys," and Bryan Collier, illustrator for "Uptown," were named the 2001 winners of the Coretta Scott King Awards honoring black authors and illustrators of outstanding books for children and young adults.

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Hall of Fame new home to Puckett, Winfield

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Kirby Puckett already knows which hat he'll wear on his Hall of Fame plaque. Dave Winfield still must choose his cap for Cooperstown.

Winfield and Puckett were elected Tuesday to the shrine on their first try, becoming the seventh pair of teammates voted in by baseball writers in the same year.

"This is really, really an elite group of guys," Puckett said from the Metrodome.

"From Babe Ruth to Hank Aaron, you name it. It's just unbelievable being in the compa-

ny of those guys."

Winfield, who had 3,110 hits and 465 home runs, and Puckett, whose All-Star career was cut short by glaucoma, played together on the Minnesota Twins in 1993-94.

The personable Puckett spent his entire career with the Twins and now is an executive vice president with the team.

Winfield became a star with the San Diego Padres, gained national recognition with the New York Yankees and delivered the game-winning hit in the 1992 World Series with the Toronto Blue Jays. He got his 3,000th hit with his hometown Twins, a single

that drove in Puckett.

So, which cap will Winfield pick?

"I can't tell you because I haven't thought about it yet," he said from his home in the Los Angeles area. "I didn't want to be presumptuous."

"The hat I'm wearing is the Hall of Fame hat today," he said. "My hat's off to all the teams that gave me the opportunity to do my thing."

Actually, Winfield is not required to choose. Catfish Hunter, who achieved success with the Yankees and Oakland, decided not to have any emblem on his Hall plaque when he was

inducted in 1987.

Induction ceremonies will be held Aug. 5 at Cooperstown, N.Y. The festivities will include anyone selected by the Veterans Committee on March 6 at Tampa, Fla.

Winfield was listed on 84.5 percent of the ballots and Puckett was chosen on 82.1 percent in voting by 10-year members of the Baseball Writers' Association of America. It took 75 percent for election.

The outfielders brought to 36 the players elected in their first year of eligibility. There are 251 overall members in the Hall.

Winfield was listed on 435 of

515 ballots, with 387 necessary for election, and Puckett was picked on 423.

Gary Carter finished third with 64.9 percent after getting under 50 percent last year, followed by Jim Rice (57.9).

Next were Bruce Sutter (47.6) and Goose Gossage (44.3) - the closers also moved upward in their bids to join Hoyt Wilhelm and Rollie Fingers as the only relievers in the Hall.

Don Mattingly received 28.2 percent as a first-year candidate. Pete Rose, off the ballot because of his permanent ban from baseball, got 15 write-in votes.

Of the 32 candidates, 13

received under 5 percent and were dropped from further consideration. Among them: Detroit teammates Lou Whitaker, Kirk Gibson and Lance Parrish, along with Tom Henke and Dale Righetti.

Next year, Ozzie Smith, Andre Dawson and Alan Trammell become rookie candidates.

Winfield and Puckett joined Carlton Fisk and Tony Perez (2000), Ferguson Jenkins and Gaylord Perry (1991), Mick Mantle and Whitey Ford (1977), Lefty Grove and Mick Cochrane (1947) as sets of teammates chosen in the same year in the BBWAA.

New rules serve fast volleyball play

by Jon Andrus

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NewsNet Sports Writer

A lot has changed since the seventh-ranked men's volleyball team last took the floor. Not only are the Cougars adjusting to a new roster, but because of rule changes, they are earning a completely new style of play.

Fans planning to attend a match this season that didn't catch one of the team's exhibition matches this past weekend might be confused about the way the game is now played.

The rule changes come from the international game and will dramatically affect the way volleyball is played.

The major change in competition this year is the adoption of Rally Point scoring.

Those that watched the Olympics this past year may be familiar with this new method of scoring. Before, a team could only score when it was serving. Now, points are awarded on every rally won.

In other words, anytime a team lets the ball touch the floor it is a point for the other team.

"The new style of play will put more of a premium on serving. Serving aggressively is an easy way to force a team into errors," said head coach Carl McGown.

Because of the new scoring rules, the game

is no longer played to 15 points. Now, teams play four games to 30 points. A fifth game will be played to 15, if needed.

Another big change involves the let serve. This rule states that serves that hit the net but get to the other side are playable.

The new rules are based on changes by the Federation of International Volleyball.

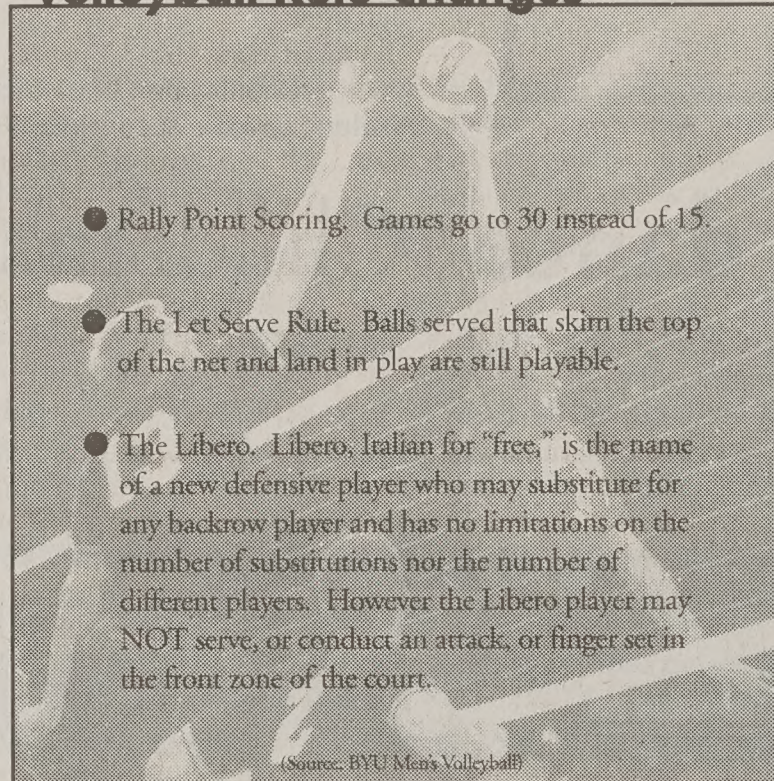
Federation officials state that the rule changes are designed to make volleyball more exciting and more television friendly. Matches will be faster paced and a lot shorter, they say.

One of the few things that has not changed for the Cougars since last year is setter Hector Lebron. Lebron, a member of the 1999 National Championship team, believes that the new rules will make the matches a lot more competitive.

"This new way of playing will make it possible for teams that aren't quite as good to sneak up and beat you," he said. "Everything about the game is a lot more important. You have to stay focused for every point."

The team seems to be adjusting to all of the

Volleyball Rule Changes



- Rally Point Scoring: Games go to 30 instead of 15.
- The Let Serve Rule: Balls served that skim the top of the net and land in play are still playable.
- The Libero: Libero, Italian for "free," is the name of a new defensive player who may substitute for any backrow player and has no limitations on the number of substitutions nor the number of different players. However the Libero player may NOT serve, or conduct an attack, or finger set in the front zone of the court.

(Source: BYU Men's Volleyball)

graphic by brody lanson

new rules. This weekend, the Cougars beat UVSC in three straight games, 30-26, 30-23, 30-23.

BYU will have another chance to play under all the new rules Friday at 7 p.m. as the team starts off its home season with a match against LaVerne in the Smith Field House.

Utah Winter Games test venues, offer fun

By Brett Larsen

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NewsNet Sports Writer

Utah winter sports enthusiasts don't have to wait until next year to enjoy Olympic-style competition.

Since the Utah Winter Games opened on Dec. 2, 2000, people from all over the state have taken part as competitors, spectators or volunteers in the more than 100 events offered, said Katie Nuttall, a member of the Utah Winter Games public relations department.

The Games have also provided a good trial run for venues like Park City's bobsled and luge facilities, which will be used during the 2002 Winter Olympics.

"The venues are doing a great job," said Nuttall. "Participants can experience the venues before the Olympics."

Attendance at this year's Games is up from past years,

Nuttall said. For example, the number of applicants to the bobsled and luge clinics was so great that each person was entered into a lottery to determine who would make it.

So far, events have run smoothly. The venues have held up well and any injuries that have been suffered by the athletes have not been serious, Nuttall said.

The Winter Games are open to anybody, and fees to participate are between \$10 and \$50 depending on the event. Sponsors of the Games have provided \$25 thousand in prizes, ranging from snowboards to ski packages to airline tickets.

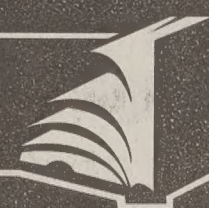
Even though the Winter Games have been going on for over a month, it is not too late to take part in them. Events run until Jan. 22 at venues across Utah. Athletes may pre-register for events online at www.utahwintergames.org or register in person at the venue before the event.

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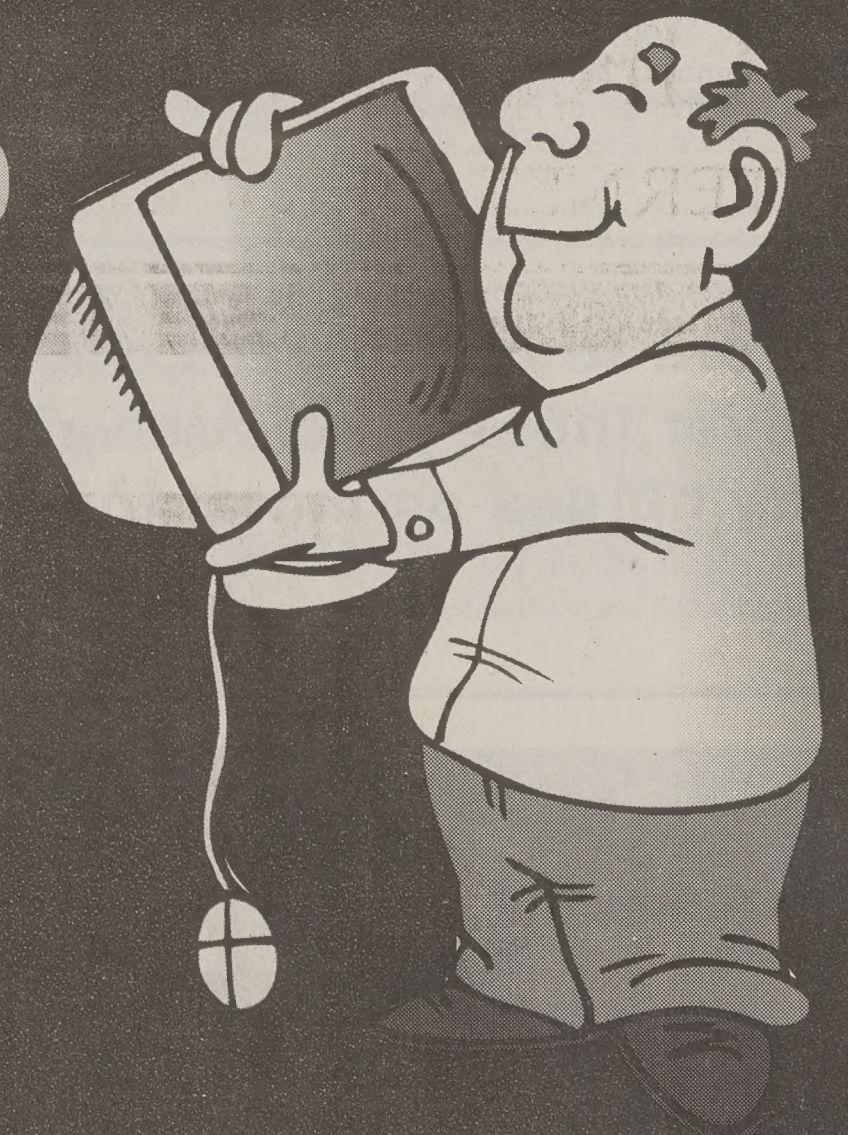
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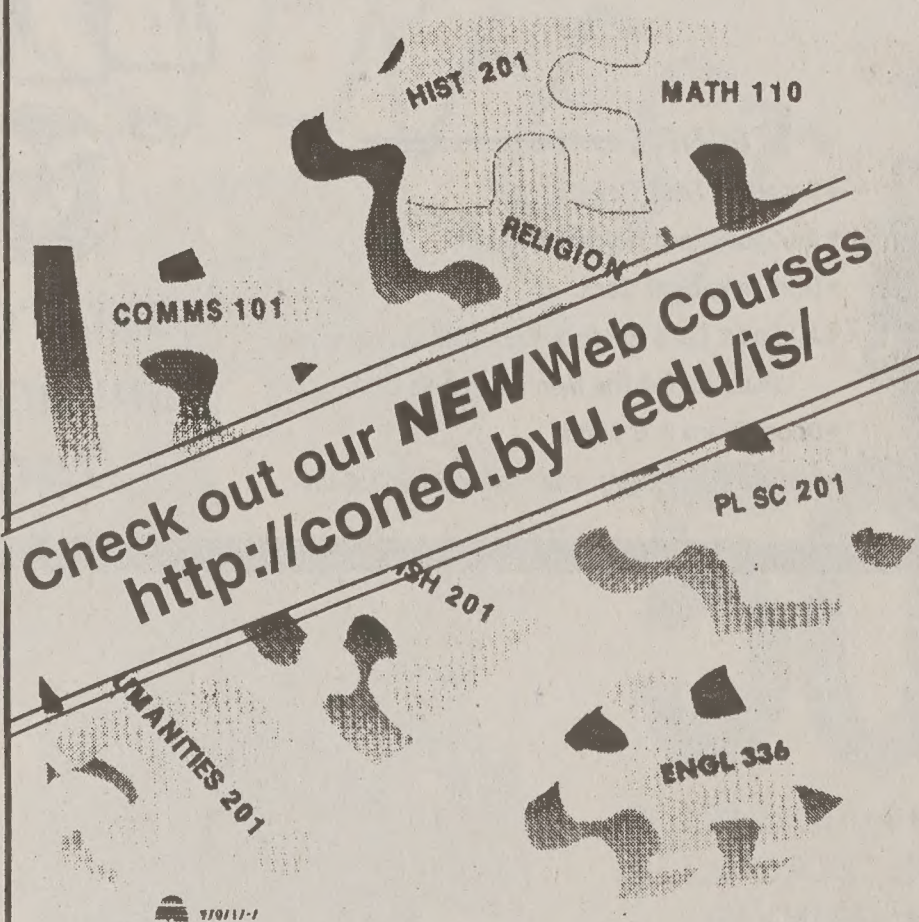
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Van Gundy takes one for the team

Press
ASE, N.Y. — A contrite Camby awaited word on punishment for throwing a punch at an opponent but not for kicking his own coach. "I lost my cool, but that's not me," Camby said. "I've been here know that I was truly, truly in the

punch did not strike me. I was truly, truly in the punch did not strike me. I was truly, truly in the punch did not strike me. I was truly, truly in the

Camby had scrapes above both eyes Tuesday - one from being poked by Ferry, one from colliding with his coach. Van Gundy's eye also remained swollen.

"Seeing Jeff today, I just feel sorry for the guy," Camby said. "Because if you look at him you'd think he's really been in a fight."

While jostling for rebounding position, Ferry struck Camby in the eye late in the fourth quarter of New York's 104-82 victory over the Spurs Monday. After being restrained by one referee and speaking with another, Camby suddenly bolted toward Ferry near the scorer's table and threw a roundhouse punch.

If Van Gundy hadn't stepped in the way, the punch might have connected and Camby would be facing an even longer suspension. As Camby left the court, he

grabbed a folding chair — an action he admitted was "ridiculous" — before a security official took it away from him. He stood outside the Spurs' locker room before being persuaded to leave, then spent another 20 minutes in a tunnel near where the Spurs' team bus was idling.

"My car was blocked in, so people thought I was down there waiting to start something. If you had seen (Knicks president) Dave Checketts trying to push this car out of the way to get my car out of there, it was the funniest thing," Camby said.

Camby met with Van Gundy on Tuesday morning after speaking with several teammates by telephone Monday night.

"We talked about everything, about suspensions and all that, and he (Van Gundy) said, 'Despite all

that, you played the best defense on David Robinson of anyone I've ever seen,'" Camby said. "Coming from him, it was great ... and I respect him more today because of the conversations we had."

No announcement was forthcoming Tuesday from NBA vice president of operations Stu Jackson regarding a suspension, a league spokeswoman said.

The Knicks are entering a five-game stretch against Detroit, Indiana, Milwaukee, Charlotte and the Los Angeles Lakers.

"Whatever the league decides, I'm basically going to have to get over it and then get back there on the court and help my team win," Camby said.

Camby is averaging 10.6 points and 11.1 rebounds as the starting center for the Knicks, who have won nine of their last 10 games.

Impersonating Polynice pleads guilty in court

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY - Utah Jazz center Olden Polynice pleaded guilty Tuesday to charges of disorderly conduct and impersonating a police officer.

Polynice was charged with both misdemeanors in West Valley City and with impersonating an officer in Salt Lake City.

In appearances at district courts in both cities, Polynice was sentenced to 18 months of probation and must pay \$500 in fines. He also has been ordered to get counseling and perform community service.

The charges resulted from an Oct. 28 dispute in which Polynice followed another motorist to a West Valley home after thinking the driver cut him off in traffic.

Polynice flashed a badge at the driver while they argued.

The badge was apparently an honorary police badge from the Los Angeles Police Department.

The West Valley couple wrote down Polynice's license plate number as he drove away, and investigators tracked him down that evening.

Polynice's attorney, Wally Bugden, said his client accepted responsibility for the incident and apologized to the other driver, his team and the community in general.

"He's relieved to have this behind him. I think he'd like to focus now on playing basketball," Bugden said. "He's relieved to have this behind him. I think he'd like to focus now on playing basketball," Bugden said.

Bugden said Polynice would perform the community service at a Boys & Girls Club in the area.

Search begins for Superbowl tickets

Press
ORE — Danny Pate, ready for the Super Bowl, said the Baltimore Ravens season ticket holder has booked a trip to Tampa and has reserved a ticket to the Super Bowl. Pate said he is missing is a ticket to the Super Bowl. Pate said he is missing is a ticket to the Super Bowl.

Many New York Giants and Ravens season-ticket holders also find themselves empty-handed.

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Of the 71,000 seats at Raymond James Stadium, about 35 percent are given to the two teams by the NFL. After tickets are dispersed to players, team officials and their

families, about 7,500 are available via a lottery to those who hold the 58,000 season tickets sold at PSINet Stadium in Baltimore.

"The reality is that this is primarily a television experience," said NFL spokesman Greg Aiello. "There are 130 to 140 million people who will enjoy it, but only 71,000 will go to the game."

The face values of tickets, which range from \$325 to \$400,

have been driven sky-high by those looking to make a quick profit.

Those who buy their tickets online should also be wary, said Scott Brown, a spokesman for the New York attorney general's office.

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Quake starts finger-pointing

Associated Press

SANTA TECLA, El Salvador — As the death toll in El Salvador's devastating earthquake topped 600 and kept climbing, authorities made a last futile push to find trapped survivors Tuesday and then shifted to coping with the growing number of corpses.

Workers were burying unidentified bodies in common graves at the municipal cemetery in the devastated town, and the government said 3,000 coffins requested from Colombia would arrive soon. By afternoon, bulldozers began to plow through the dirt, recovering bodies and removing debris.

Finger-pointing began: In Santa Tecla, where a mountainside buried a whole neighborhood, environmental activists and authorities said deforestation contributed to the disaster.

Residents of the buried neighborhood, Las Colinas, had pleaded with Congress and the Supreme Court to block the construction of mansions on the hillside above them, saying the lack of ground cover left those below vulnerable to landslides. Their pleas were ignored, and construction continued.

Saturday's 7.6-magnitude quake loosened the hillside, sending dirt raining on the homes below and bringing down some of the mansions. Angry residents argued Monday that the development had caused hundreds of deaths.

"What good does money do us if we are subjecting our children to something like this?" Santa Tecla Mayor Oscar Ortiz asked.

Ecologist Ricardo Navarro accused members of Congress and government officials of negligence for failing to stop the deforestation.

"Several urbanization projects were born ... and there you have the results, hundreds of deaths," he said.

In Santa Tecla on Tuesday, rescuers cleared the area where the

"This is a nightmare. I can't believe this is happening."

—Raquel Barrera
Resident of Santa Tecla

mountainside buried the neighborhood. In the silence, Taiwanese technicians with heart-beat detectors and Spanish rescuers with sniffer dogs combed the area.

They found no signs of life, and the bulldozers and earthmovers began to plow through the rubble, recovering bodies and removing debris. Hundreds of bodies were still believed to be buried there.

The only rescue was of a German Shepherd named Bobby, who appeared to be in good shape. Bobby's owner, who lost his mother and his brother, led the dog away.

As information began to trickle in from the countryside, where hundreds of communities remain almost completely cut off from the outside world, President Francisco Flores said workers had recovered 609 bodies in El Salvador and were searching for hundreds more. At least six people were killed in neighboring Guatemala.

Flores said 2,412 people were injured and more than 45,000 houses were damaged or destroyed in Saturday's quake. In a televised address to the nation Monday night, Flores said he expected the death toll to rise significantly.

He said 3,000 coffins were expected "in the coming hours" from Colombia, a major exporter of coffins in the region. Officials said Tuesday that arrangements still hadn't been made and that the coffins might arrive later in the week.

"We must face this phenomenon with serenity and with hope," Flores said. "We have the capacity to face what has happened, but right now the most important thing is solidarity with the people who need it most."

In Santa Tecla on Monday, Raquel Barrera waited for authorities to help her pull the newly uncovered bodies of her husband and 12-year-old son from the ground.

"This is a nightmare. I can't believe this is happening," said Barrera, whose husband was a well-known professional baseball player in El Salvador. "I left them alive, and now look, they're underneath all this."

Although the largest number of deaths appeared to be in Las Colinas, the quake caused 185 landslides across El Salvador, burying anyone who couldn't get out of the way fast enough and blocking hundreds of roads.

Police said nearly 18,000 people had been evacuated from dangerous areas.

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are written, not enforcing my own personal preferences."

Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., chairman of the Judiciary Committee until President-elect Bush is sworn in on Saturday, said the hearing "is not about whether Senator Ashcroft is a racist, anti-Catholic, anti-Mormon or anti-anything else. Those of us who worked with him in the Senate do not make that charge."

But Leahy also said that Ashcroft, in some confirmation battles, "was not just in the minority of the United States Senate, but in a minority among Republicans in the Senate. Now we have to ask if somebody who has been that unyielding in a policy outlook can unite all Americans."

He said senators must ask "what positions he would urge upon the Supreme Court; in particular, whether he'd ask the Supreme Court to overturn Roe v. Wade or

to impose more burdensome restrictions on a woman's ability to secure safe and legal contraceptives."

Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, who will be chairman after Saturday, strongly defended his former Senate colleague, saying he felt "a great sense of comfort" in the nomination.

"Those charged with enforcing the law of the nation must demonstrate both the proper understanding of that law and a determination to uphold its letter and spirit," Hatch said. "This is the standard I have applied to nominees in the past, and this is the standard that I am applying to John Ashcroft here."

Senate GOP Leader Trent Lott said last week that he expects all 50 Republicans in the Senate to vote for Ashcroft's confirmation. Most Democratic senators have refrained from saying how they will vote.

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Mate freed from prison after 13 years In law students perform DNA test

Press

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version and provided police with the gun and handcuffs he used to commit the crime.

Marino, who is serving three life sentences for other crimes, also provided mouth swabbings carrying his DNA, which was matched by the law students to evidence taken from DePriest's body.

Prosecutor Bryan Case admitted Ochoa was wrongly convicted.

"It's a bad feeling knowing it's failed," said Case, assistant district attorney for Travis County. "But it's a good feeling fixing it."

Jeanette Popp, the mother of the 20-year-old victim, sharply criticized police.

"This is wrong, it's horrible. It's

going on all over the United States. We've got to stop this," said Popp, 51. "It is my wish that the death penalty be abolished in the state of Texas so that it can no longer be used as a threat to coerce confessions from the innocent."

Ochoa, who was 22 at the time of the slaying, also promised to testify against his then-room-mate, Richard Danziger, who was convicted of raping the woman. Danziger is still in prison, where a severe beating left him unable to care for himself. His lawyers plan to ask for his release.

Ochoa said he deeply regretted Danziger's fate.

"I feel very bad about not having the courage to stand up to those police officers," he said. "I have to live with that for the rest of my life."

Austin police and the Texas Rangers are investigating how the case went wrong. Their report, which will be reviewed by the U.S. attorney's office, is expected by the end of the month.

The first thing Ochoa said he would do as a free man is visit the grave of his grandfather, who died in El Paso when Ochoa was in prison.

"I got to go tell him that I'm out," Ochoa said.

Prison guards claim unjust pay

Press

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"If somebody was throwing body waste at you, stabbing you or hitting you, you'd get tired of it, too. But there's not much you can do. You have to remain a professional and that's kind of hard."

—Willie King
Texas state prison guard

King and his group began their legislative fight by taking part in a candlelight vigil Monday night.

Guards have been seeking higher pay for years, but the battle has gained increased attention since a Dec. 13 prison break at the Connally Unit, some 200 miles east of where King works. The escape of seven convicts has been blamed in part on a prison guard shortage, which in turn has been attributed to low pay scales.

The convicts, who allegedly killed a police officer, remain on the loose. The reward for their arrest and indictment was raised to \$440,000 Monday, when the FBI added \$140,000.

The state budget proposals under consideration in the Legislature include \$42 million for prison guard pay hikes, as promised last summer. But they do not include any additional money for raises or hiring.

"We don't come with our hats in our hands begging," said Brian Olsen, executive director of the Texas chapter of the American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees.

"We come asking for the Legislature and the governor to do the right thing," Olsen said.

Texas prison guards have the 43rd-lowest starting pay in the country, according to the union.

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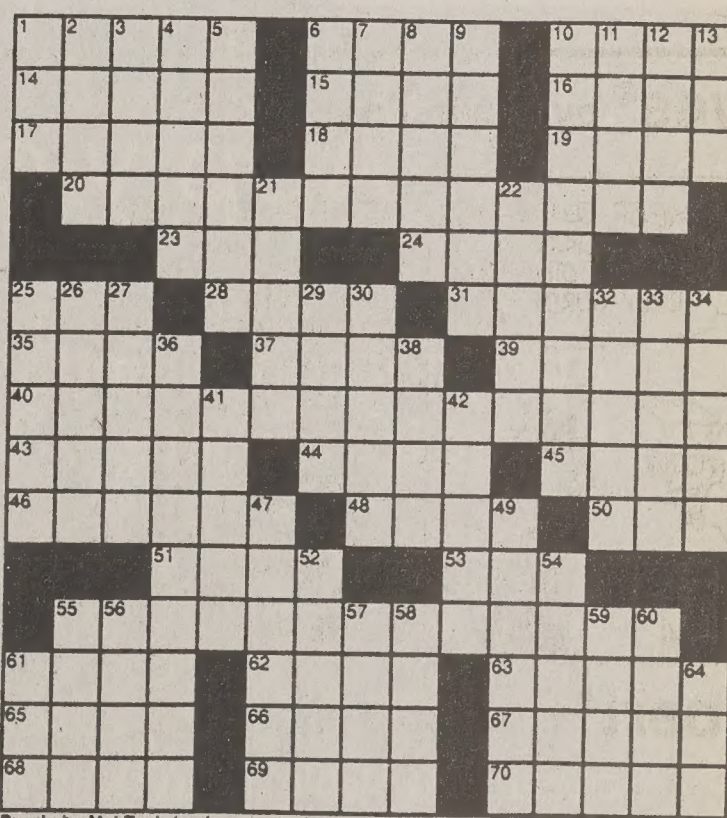
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U.S. mediator delays Mideast trip

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JERUSALEM — Israeli and Palestinian peace negotiators resumed high-level peace talks Tuesday, but they failed to resolve key disputes despite a looming weekend deadline. With the outlook bleak for concluding a peace accord, President Clinton's mediator put a scheduled trip to the region on indefinite hold.

Mediator Dennis Ross had planned to confer with Israeli and Palestinian leaders here, but administration officials confirmed that the journey was off for now. That could mean Ross' long career as a Mideast mediator will end without a final burst of diplomacy in the region.

Despite the lack of a breakthrough in Jerusalem, the leader of the Palestinian negotiating team said Tuesday's session was "serious and deep" and the sides agreed to keep talking.

At the start of the three-hour meeting, the Palestinians protested Israel's renewed blockade of the Gaza Strip, imposed in

response to a Jewish settler's weekend death at the hands of Palestinians, said the chief Palestinian negotiator, Ahmed Qureia.

The Palestinians also complained about retaliatory attacks by Jewish settlers, who rampaged on Palestinian farms in Gaza on Monday and early Tuesday to protest the settler's killing. Israeli police said two settlers have been detained, and that there might be more arrests.

Israeli officials were not immediately available for comment on the negotiating session, during which teams led by Qureia and Israeli Foreign Minister Shlomo Ben-Ami met in Jerusalem.

The location was kept secret to avoid media coverage. Another round of talks was scheduled for Wednesday.

"The discussions ... were very serious and deep," Qureia said. "We tried to see ways now we can bridge the gaps between the two positions, but I cannot say that we bridged the gaps."

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posals calling for a Palestinian state in the Gaza Strip, 95 percent of the West Bank and Arab areas of Jerusalem are the basis for the talks. Israeli and Palestinian negotiators are trying to produce a joint document before Clinton leaves office Saturday.

Both have said chances of success are slim. On Tuesday, Qureia said, the Israelis did not present maps that translate Clinton's ideas into a concrete land offer.

Both sides have accepted Clinton's ideas in principle but added serious reservations

China makes steps in space program

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BEIJING — A capsule China says is identical to the one that will carry its first astronaut into space touched down Tuesday after orbiting the earth for a week, state media reported.

The unmanned Shenzhou II landed on the grasslands of Inner Mongolia in northern China, the official Xinhua News Agency reported.

"The second space test was a complete success," China Central Television said in a brief report on the main evening news broadcast.

The 108-orbit trip was the second test flight of a craft intended to one day make China only the third nation, after the United States and Russia, capable of manned space travel. The vessel is technologically identical to one that would carry a person, Xinhua said.

Shenzhou II's successful mission "indicates that China's manned spaceflight technology is advancing and has laid a solid foundation for the country to eventually conduct manned space flights," it said.

The first Shenzhou flight landed in November 1999 after orbiting Earth for 21 hours. Western experts have said a successful sec-

ond test could bring a manned flight within two years.

Chinese scientists quoted by state media have said three or four more unmanned flights will be needed first.

All equipment worked smoothly throughout the flight, and Shenzhou II collected data that will be used for future missions, it said.

In a phone call to the director of the manned space program, Gen. Cao Gangchuan, President Jiang Zemin expressed "warm congratulations" on the vessel's successful return.

Shenzhou II, whose name means "sacred vessel," was traced by four monitoring ships in the Atlantic, Pacific and Indian oceans, all under the command of China's space control center in Beijing, the reports said.

One of those ships sent the craft the order to land as it flew above the southern Atlantic, Xinhua said. The Shenzhou's return capsule then detached from the orbital sections and fired its engines to return to Earth.

China has placed great prestige on its secretive 31-year-old space program and has increased spending in the past decade.

Several would-be astronauts have been sent to Russia for

instruction and Western experts believe those graduates are now training other candidates in China.

Western analysts believe the Shenzhou tested systems essential to manned flight, namely life-support, guidance and re-entry.

News reports on the Jan. 10 launch said the capsule also carried cell and tissue samples from dozens of animals, plants and micro-organisms.

China has portrayed its space ambitions as a sign of its rising might and influence but has provided few details of its space program, code-named Project 921.

The program's military association is one reason for the secrecy.

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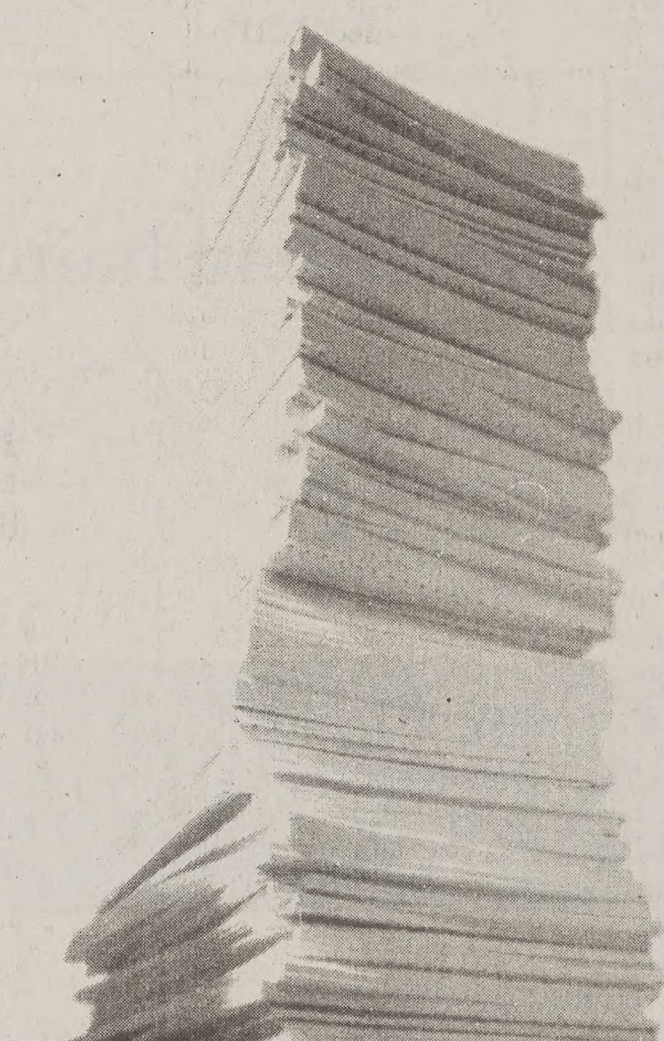
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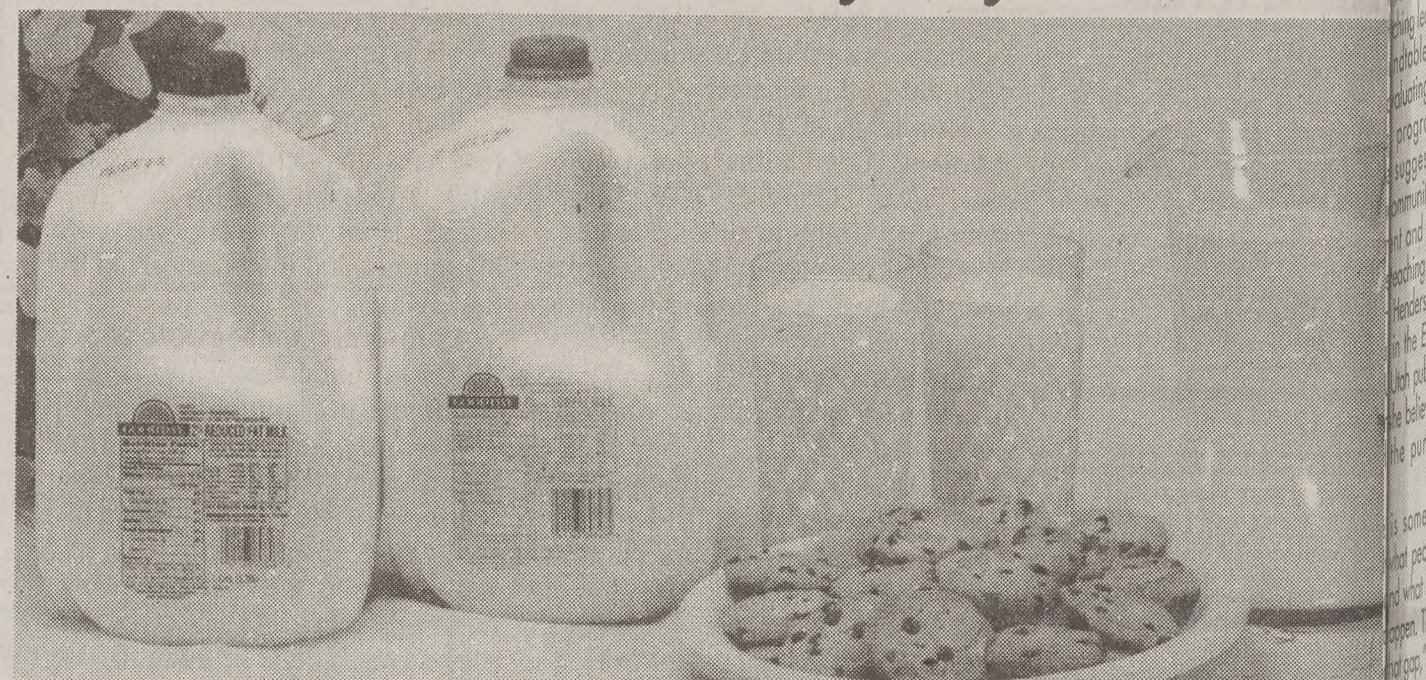
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